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Mayor's corner

There's a lot happening in Tigard this fall! The downtown merchants are sponsoring a Trick or Treat Main Street event on October 31 (see details on page 3). On October 19, volunteers participated in Make-A-Difference Day. Tigard thanks those volunteers who planted trees and spruced up the library. Speaking of the library, the new library planning is progressing quickly so if you want to share your ideas, now is the time! To give input call 503-684-6537, e-mail paula@ci.tigard.or.us or plan to attend the next community meeting on December 11.

I'd also like to acquaint you with the Tigard-Tualatin School District's "Lunch Buddy" program. This terrific program matches an adult volunteer with a student – and the two of you have lunch together once a week! As a lunch buddy, you visit, encourage and serve as a positive role model for your student. To find out more, call Susan Stark Haydon at the School District at 503-431-4000.

I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving. Christmas is just around the corner, so watch out for the shoppers!

/ /// lim Griffith Mayor

Tigard investigates long-term water supply options

The City of Tigard purchases the majority of its water supply from the City of Portland and the Joint Water Commission. Although Tigard owns groundwater wells, it lacks ownership of a water source that is capable of meeting the community's current and future demand for clean, safe drinking water. In an effort to address this problem, the City of Tigard is investigating options for a future long-term water supply.

One of the options being considered is to become a member of the proposed Bull Run Region Drinking Water Agency. Tigard, along with 13 local agencies, is exploring the possibility and affordability of creating a regional water agency that would be responsible for the water management of the Bull Run Watershed and Columbia South Shore Wellfield.

In the next few months, the Intergovernmental Water Board and City Council members will be presented with the Principles of Agreement and other information regarding the formation of a regional water agency. A decision is expected by

early next year as to whether or not the City of Tigard will continue to pursue the Bull Run Region Drinking Water Agency as a viable long-term water supply option. In addition, the City of Tigard continues to investigate other water supply options including the Joint Water Commission and the extension of our wholesale water contract with the City of Portland.



For more information regarding the project, check out the City of Portland's web site, *www.water.ci.portland.or.us* and click on "What's New." If you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact Ed Wegner at *ed@ci.tigard.or.us*, 503-639-4171, ext. 2595 or Sally Mills at *sally@ci.tigard.or.us*, 503-639-4171, ext. 2604.

Street maintenance fee public meeting

Thursday, November 14, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Details on page 3.

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CITY MEETING SCHEDULE:

City Council

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall

Library Board

2nd Thursday, 7 p.m. Library Puett Room

Planning Commission

1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m. Town Hall

Intergovernmental Water Board

2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Tigard Water Building

CIT Agenda



CIT - Citizen Involvement Team Grassroots, Neighborhood-Based

The CIT meeting is cablecase live on the first Thursday on Channel 28 at 7 p.m. Replays are shown Thursday at 11 p.m., Saturday at 9 p.m. and Monday at 7 and 11 p.m., Tuesday at 10 a.m. and the 3rd and 4th Sunday at 10 a.m. Citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in the meetings. Refreshments will be provided.

When: Thursday, November 7, 2002, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Where: Town Hall at City Hall, 13125 SW Hall Boulevard

6:30 p.m. An opportunity to meet one-on-one with staff to ask questions or discuss specific issues. Representatives will be available from the following departments: Administration, Community Development, Engineering, Library, Police and Public Works. (This portion is not aired on cable.)

7:00 p.m. General Session – Announcements, updates and status reports on current activities, issues and events.

7:20 p.m. Holiday Safety - Crime Prevention Officer Jim Wolf will share safety tips for the holiday season.

7:35 p.m. Amber Alert - Learn about the new system in place to alert citizens about lost children.

7:45 p.m. Capital Improvement Program Budget - It's that time again. Time to begin developing the list of projects that will be included in the 2002-03 budget. Come and find out what's on the list and how you can make suggestions for consideration -- street improvements, sidewalks, storm drain improvements, speed humps, and water and park facilities are eligible for consideration.

8:10 p.m. Break

8:15 p.m. Want to Know More about Your Community? Learn how the city makes it easy for citizens to get information about the "business" of Tigard. Hear about the community connector program, *Cityscape* newsletter, cable programming, newspapers, community meetings, the city's web site, and upcoming changes to the CIT program.

8:40 p.m. Meeting Wrap Up

8:55 p.m. Adjourn

Bring a friend or neighbor!

If you are unable to attend and would like to have your ideas included or have suggestions, please contact Liz Newton at *liz@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-639-4171, ext. 2412. Any time you have questions, CIT agenda topic suggestions or CIT program ideas, send an email to *citmail@ci.tigard.or.us*. It's checked daily and you will get a response!



Outdoor tasks keep volunteers busy

In September and October, 50 Intel employees and their family members, members of the Bull Mountain LDS church, students from area high schools and other community members joined forces to remove vegetation and plant nearly 600 trees and shrubs. Check out the improvements at Fanno Creek Park, Summerlake Park, the Adopt-A-Stream site on Derry Dell Creek and the water quality facility at Ascension and Mistletoe Drives.

Adopt-A-Street volunteer teams removed approximately 1,500 pounds of litter from alongside some of Tigard's busiest streets. Teams include:

- ABLE Students,
 Tigard High School
- Barrows Road Albertsons' employees
- Bebek Associates
- Boy Scout Troop 483
- Mrs. Carpenter
- Collectors Press employees
- Don Morrissette Home employees
- Key Club, Tigard High School
- Moore, Monahan, Alexander Families
- Cindy Olsen
- Team Tigard, City of Tigard employees
- Terry Family
- Tigard Chamber of Commerce
- Tigard Kiwanis Club

Thanks to these volunteers for their efforts to keep our community clean and beautiful.

Street maintenance fee public meeting

Thursday, November 14, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Tigard Town Hall

The city's Transportation Financing Strategies Task Force recommended the city enact a street maintenance fee to cover the costs of street maintenance, street light and signalization energy costs and possibly right-of-way maintenance. The proposed fee would be assessed to city residences and businesses and be based on the user's estimated impact on Tigard's transportation system. The City Council is considering implementing a fee and has extended the public participation process to ensure that there are adequate opportunities for citizen involvement. The Task Force will discuss the proposed fee, how it was arrived at and what it would accomplish. The Task Force welcomes additional input on financing opportunities as well as how a street maintenance fee can be assessed. For more information, contact City Engineer Gus Duenas at <code>gus@ci.tigard.or.us</code> or 503-639-4171, ext. 2470.

Subdivision proposals in Tigard

City staff periodically provides advance notice of potential subdivisions being contemplated in Tigard or its Urban Growth Area. Plans are only in preliminary stages and are based on pre-application conferences with the City of Tigard. Plans have not been finalized. It is possible that development will not occur immediately. If the applicant goes forward with the project, a neighborhood meeting will be scheduled by the developer/applicant prior to a formal application being made with the city. Notice of the meeting is sent to property owners within 500 feet of the proposed development.

PROPOSAL #1

Tentative Project Name: "Un-Named"

Subject: Subdivision of approx.

1 acre into 10 lots

Zoning: R-12, 3,050 sq ft lots **Location:** 10895 SW 95th Avenue;

north of SW North Dakota St.

Contacts:

Developer/Applicant: Robert Law

503-608-5150

Applicant's Engineer: N/A

City Staff: Mathew Scheidegger

and Brian Rager 503-639-4171

Trick or Treat!

The Annual Halloween "Trick or Treat Main street" event will be held from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. on October 31, 2002. This is a fun and safe event for all those ghosts and goblins. Rain or shine we hope to see you there!





Shelf & Life

News from the Tigard Library

Stories and Crafts

Little People Story Time

Thursday, November 7
10 to 10:30 a.m. with Louise

Friday, November 8

10 to 10:30 a.m. with Terri

Spend quality time with your little one. Enjoy stories, songs and activities designed for children 3 and under and their grown-up. Puett Room.

Let's Get Crafty

Saturday, November 2 1 to 1:30 p.m.

Hear stories and have fun making a beautiful craft to take home. Bring your imaginations and the whole family! All ages. Puett Room.

Preschool Stories and Crafts

Tuesday, November 5 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Stories, music, laughter, surprises and a fun activity to take home. Ages 3 to 6. Puett Room.

Story times run through November 9. We will resume in January.

A Story, a Story

Wednesday, November 6 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn to use storytelling and felt-boards in the curriculum. For child care providers and parents. CDA credit available. Register with Angela Reynolds, 503-466-1894. Puett Room.

Library Events Calendar

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November 1, 8	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time with Terri (ages 3 and under)-Puett Rm
November 2, 9	1-1:30 p.m.	Let's Get Crafty (all ages)-Puett Rm
November 3, 10, 17, 24	10-11 a.m.	Computer Basics Class Call 503-684-6537 for details
November 5	10-10:30 a.m.	Preschool Stories and Crafts-Puett Rm
November 6	6:30-8:30 p.m.	"A Story, a Story" (Reg. req'd)- Puett Rm
November 7	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time with Louise (ages 3 and under)-Puett Rm
November 7	7-8:30 p.m.	"Investing for College" (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
November 8	6-8 p.m.	Friday Night Music with David Helfand -Puett Rm
November 11		Library Closed-Veterans Day
November 13	7-9 p.m.	Book Club Discussion of <i>Wild Life</i> hosted by Molly Gloss-Puett Rm
November 14	Noon-1 p.m.	Brown Bag Book Club Discussion of Wild Life by Molly Gloss (repeat of Wednesday program)-Puett Rm
November 16	3:30-4:30 p.m.	Book Madness-Teen Book Group discussion of <i>True Believer</i> hosted by Virginia Euwer Wolff -Puett Rm
November 20	7-7:30 p.m.	Storytelling with Angela Reynolds-Puett Rm
November 28-29		Library Closed-Thanksgiving

For more information on library programs, visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us
All library programs are free. Some library programs require registration.
To sign up, call 503-684-6537

Book Madness: a teen book group like no other!

Join us for good books, cool authors, great conversation and groovy snacks! November book is *True Believer* by Virginia Euwer Wolff. Wolff will be onhand to sign your book and tell you about the Make Lemonade trilogy and her adventures in writing.

Saturday, November 16 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Puett Room.

Book Time! Celebrate Children's Book Week November 18-24

A Special Storytelling evening Wednesday, November 20

7-7:30 p.m.

Join us for some great interactive storytelling with Angela Reynolds, Oregon storyteller. Children of all ages will enjoy Jack and the Robbers; The Blue Bottle; Mabela the Clever; The Hen and the Crocodile; and more! All ages. Puett Room.





Hard Hat Report

Laying solid foundations for a new library By Margaret Barnes Tigard Public Library Director

Putting together the team to build a new library is a lot like assembling the building itself. Just as we envision the new library to be both versatile and efficient, we looked for similar characteristics in the construction team.

The general contractor, Hoffman Construction, was selected for its experience and attention to quality construction. With projects such as the Oregon Convention Center and the new Seattle Central Library, Hoffman can point to successful results in both the public and private sectors.

The architects, SRG Partnership, have extensive experience in both libraries and other public buildings, such as The Oregon Coast Aquarium and the Mount St. Helens Visitors' Center. Charlie Bahlman from Shiels Obletz Johnsen was selected as project manager because he, too, has broad construction experience, including the Hollywood branch of Multnomah County Library. As project manager he will watch out for the city's interests to help us meet our goal of completing the building on time and within budget.

While this talented construction team provides a solid foundation for Tigard's new library, the participation of citizens, including the New Library Resource Team, and library staff will ensure the new library is well built and meets Tigard's future needs.

Experience the music of Israel and Britain

David Helfand loves to travel, and his journeys inspire his music. Join Helfand **Friday**, **November 8**, **6 to 8 p.m.** in the Puett Room for a music performance and discussion. Hear him play a variety of instruments including Celtic harp and mandocello, and accompany him on what one reviewer described as "a fascinating, acousticallyheightened world music journey."

This event is funded by Washington County Cooperative Library Services.

Thank you volunteers!

We have so much to be thankful for at the Tigard Library. Gratitude and appreciation goes out to all our hardworking volunteers including our 240 youth, teen and adult volunteers, as well as school groups, area church groups, scout troops and other organizations who step in to get the job done!

If you'd like to volunteer at the library, contact Trish Stormont at *trish@ci.tigard.or.us* or at 503-684-6537, ext. 2516.

Investing for college

Dave Poppe of the Edward Jones investment firm will present a seminar on investing for college, **Thursday**, **November 7, 7 to 8:30 p.m.** in the Puett Room. Learn how the new 529 College Savings Plans and the Coverdell Savings Accounts (formerly the Educational IRA) can benefit parents, children, and grandchildren. Registration required.

Book Club hosted by Molly Gloss



Gloss will lead a discussion of her latest novel *Wild Life*, the story of Charlotte Bridger Drummond, an early-20th-century single mother who supports five young sons in the just-tamed wilderness fringe of western Oregon by writing pulp fiction. Read the book, awarded the James Tiptree, Jr. Award for literary fantasy, and join the author to discuss it, **Wednesday, November 13, 7 to 9 p.m.** in the Puett Room.

A second discussion, hosted by Kate Miller, Adult Services Librarian, will take place, **Thursday, November 14, noon to 1 p.m.** in the Puett Room (bring a brown bag lunch if you wish). This program is made possible by Live @ Your Library, an initiative of the American Library Association.

Have you gone "Stark Reading Mad" yet?

Mad about reading? Here's your chance to win prizes just for doing what you're already crazy about! Sign-up for the 8th Annual Adult Reading Program, Stark Reading Mad, today! For every 100 pages you read or listen to, qualify for weekly prize drawings.

Read or listen to 1,500 hundred pages and qualify for the grand prize, a night out to enjoy dinner and tickets to an attraction of your choice. Remember, you must register in person, so stop by the library and acknowledge your inner bibliomaniac today!



Help the police help you!

No police department can function effectively without the assistance of responsible citizens. The Tigard Police Department depends on you to contact us when you observe suspicious persons or actions.

Some people may notice a suspicious activity and fail to call for fear of being labeled an alarmist or nuisance. Still others take it for granted that someone else has already called. Please do not let reasons such as these prevent you from taking action in the event suspicious activity is observed.

What is suspicious? Basically anything that seems even slightly out of place. "Gut" feelings have merit as well. Some obvious things to watch for are:

- •A stranger entering your neighbor's property.
- •Screams or calls for help.

- Persons loitering around schools, parks or secluded areas.
- •Anyone peering into parked vehicles or checking door handles. Also, vehicles traveling without headlights down your street or through a parking lot during the night.
- •In general, persons who do not seem to "belong" to the area.

Many times the scenarios described above could have innocent explanations. However, the Tigard Police would rather investigate a potential crime situation than be called when it is *too* late. Your call could save a life, prevent an injury or stop a criminal act.

To report emergencies call 9-1-1. For non-emergency police assistance call 503-629-0111. For further information on reporting suspicious activity, contact Crime Prevention Officer Jim Wolf at 503-718-2561.

Vintage home tours

The Tigard Area Historical Association is pleased to present a Home Tour of several wonderful vintage homes in the Tigard area. The association will host at least six homes on Saturday, November 30th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Home Tour celebrates the 150th anniversary of Wilson and Mary Ann Tigard's arrival in the area. Maps and directions will be provided, and tour guides will be available at each home to answer questions.

Included in the tour will be two 1880's homes, two early 1900's homes and two log homes built in the 1930's by Henry Steiner, chief carpenter of historic Timberline Lodge.

Ticket prices for the Home Tour will be \$7.00 for individual, \$10.00 per couple, and \$12.00 per family. Tickets will be available beginning November 4 and can be purchased at the Tigard Chamber of Commerce, Pacific Highway West Coast Bank, by phone at 503-639-3334 or 503-579-2126 or at the John Tigard House on the day of the tour.

People's Choice Awards: Draw the new library contest!

Are you 18 or under? Do you have a creative mind? Do you like to draw, paint, scribble or doodle? Here's your chance to show us your vision of the new library.

Entries will be divided into four categories: Pre-school, Grade School, Middle School, High School.

Drop off your entry at the Circulation Desk by Saturday, November 23. Entries should be no larger than 11 by 17 inches and should be mounted on a background that can be stapled to the wall. Make sure your name, age, address and phone number are clearly marked on the back of your work.

Artwork will be displayed in the library's Puett Room. The public is invited to vote for their favorite work from November 25 through December 9. Winning artwork will receive the "People's Choice Award." Winners will be recognized at the new library community meeting on December 11 and will be VIP guests at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new library.

Pull out your favorite pen, crayon, pencil, paintbrush. Ready. Set. Create! For more information, contact Senior Library Assistant Terri Smith at 503-684-6537.

Drop off ballots at Tigard City Hall

Voters can drop off ballots at Tigard City Hall, 13125 SW Hall Boulevard, in the main lobby from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The City Hall night depository is available for afterhours ballot drop off. Polls close at 8 p.m. on November 5.

Drive-through ballot drop will be on November 5, noon to 8 p.m.

For more information, contact Elections Official Cathy Wheatley at *cathy@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-639-4171, ext. 2410.



New tools for civil enforcement

On July 9, 2002 the Tigard City Council approved an amendment to the enforcement chapters of the Tigard Municipal Code. The amendments include shorter remedy periods for violations, a streamlined court process, and higher penalties for repeat offenders. The expedited process has resulted in better service for citizens and more efficient use of staff time. For the "offenders," the new amendments mean a possible court citation, similar to

a traffic ticket. Repeat offenders are also subject to double and quadruple fines for multiple violations in a 24-month time period. Some cases already seen in court with the new "ticket" method include tall weeds and grass, illegal signs, obstructing the public right of way, and failing to pay business taxes.

Local Boy Scout thanks City of Tigard for assistance in the completion of his Eagle Scout project

by Tyler Holmgren, Boy Scout Troop 419

Last summer, with the assistance of City of Tigard staff, I was able to identify and successfully complete my Eagle Scout project. The project involved the reconstruction of creek habitat along a section of Derry Dell Creek.

Invasive non-native plant species had entangled themselves around trees and choked out native plant species. The soil in the area became soft and was eroding from the banks, falling into the creek and filling the water with sediment.

The project took two "working" weekends to complete as well as numerous hours meeting, designing and planning for the event. The first weekend involved pulling, cutting, and digging up the blackberries. The second weekend involved laying rock along the creek bank to provide stabilization, installing birdhouses to help with lost habitat and the building of a cedar chip pathway with a bench. Although the project was very time consuming and demanded lots of work, I learned a lot and even had fun doing it.

I would like to personally thank the people who supported me in making this project a success including Eric Hand, Sally Mills and Susan Koepping, city employees. I would also like to thank all the scouts, parents and volunteers of Troop 419 who helped work on the project. Finally, I want to thank my family who were there to support me when I needed it most and for helping me carry out this project in my efforts to obtain my Eagle.

I hope that some years down the road I will have inspired other scouts to help out the community in any way possible. Someday, when I am married and have children of my own, I would like to bring my family back to see my project. I hope to sit on the bench, enjoy the nature surrounding us and show my children that even one person can make an impact on the community, our society, even, the world.

First Annual Leaf Collection Days & Food Drive

The City of Tigard is hosting its 1st Annual Leaf Collection Days and Food Drive. During heavy rains, leaves left in city streets clog storm drains, cause flooding, and make for hazardous driving conditions. This program has been implemented to help Tigard citizens dispose of residential leaf debris. Leaves must be free of litter, rocks, sticks and other debris. No leaf disposal for commercial operators please!

In conjunction with leaf disposal, Team Tigard, a group of city employees who volunteer for various projects, will be collecting food for the Oregon Food Bank. A donation of two cans of food or other non-perishable food items is recommended.

Bring your leaves and your food item donations to the City of Tigard Water Yard, 8777 SW Burnham Road, at the corner of Hall and Burnham on Saturday, November 9 or 23, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The city appreciates the cooperation of its citizens with leaf collection and looks forward to making the winter a little brighter for those in need. For more information, contact Wastewater/Storm Supervisor Eric Hand at eric@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-639-4171.



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Tigard City Council Action Recap!

For additional information or if you have any questions about any of the items listed below, please contact City Recorder Cathy Wheatley at 503-639-4171, ext. 2410. A copy of Council packet information can be found on the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us or at the library. Audio and video tape recordings of most meetings are also available at the library.

City Council Meeting highlights for the past month

- Met with the Tualatin City Council and the Tigard-Tualatin School Board
- Heard an update on the Washington County Cooperative Library Service local option levy
- Heard an update on the proposed Bull Run Regional Drinking Water Agency
- Held a public hearing on the 2002 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant

- Heard a Communication Plan Update
- Discussed standards for housing development set-aside requests
- Discussed public tree care ordinance
- Discussed Metro's Urban Growth Boundary expansion
- Considered Intergovernmental Agreement for the commuter rail project

Future Council Agenda Items

- Hear an update on the status of the new library
- Hear a Community Development Department overview presentation
- Hear an update on Indonesian Resource Cities Program
- Continue with the update on the proposed Bull Run Regional Drinking Water Agency
- Discuss Intergovernmental Agreement with Clean Water Services

- Hear an update on Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District
- Consider funding for implementation of Washington Square Regional Center
- Hear a presentation on the conceptual design of the skateboard park facility
- Continue review of social service grant recipients
- Consider adopting a transit plan